

**R E M A R K S**

Careful review and examination of the subject application are noted and appreciated. Applicants thank Examiner Kostak for the indication of allowable matter in claims 2-9, 11-18 and 20-23.

**CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102**

The rejection of claims 1, 10 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Takayama et al., EP 0 913 924 (hereafter Takayama) have been obviated by appropriate amendment and should be withdrawn.

The allowable matter of claim 5 has been incorporated into claim 1. The allowable matter of claim 14 has been incorporated into claim 10. Matter similar to the allowable matter of claim 5 has been incorporated into claim 19.

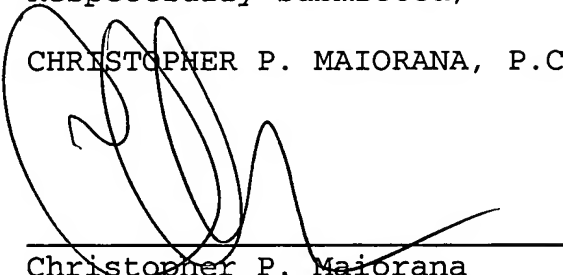
Accordingly, the present application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action by the Examiner is respectfully solicited.

The Examiner is respectfully invited to call the Applicants' representative at 586-498-0670 should it be deemed beneficial to further advance prosecution of the application.

If any additional fees are due, please charge Deposit  
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Respectfully submitted,

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